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SUBJECT: EMBASSY ECONOMIC OFFICERS' MEETING -- AGENDA

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1. THE FOLLOWING IS OUR TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 23 WESTERN EUROPEAN ECONOMIC OFFICERS' MEETING IN PARIS. AS YOU WILL NOTE, THE AGENDA IS STRUCTURED TO FOCUS DISCUSSION ON THE PRINCIPAL GLOBAL ECONOMIC ISSUES AFFECTING BOTH EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES. A ONE-DAY SESSION WILL NOT ALLOW FOR A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF ALL OUTSTANDING BPLATERAL AND REGIONAL CONCERNS. WITHIN THE CONSTRAINT THAT DISCUSSION BE FOCUSED ON THE FOREMOST ISSUES, UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON DESIRES THAT SESSION PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A FULL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AND ANTICIPATES THAT POST PARTICIPANTS WILL ENGAGE ACTIVELY IN DISCUSSIONS. IN THIS CONNECTION, THE UNDER SECRETARY AND OTHER DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVES WILL DISCUSS ISSUES FROM A WASHINGTON VANTAGE POINT AND WILL LOOK TO POST PARTICIPANTS TO PROVIDE THE EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE.

2. TENTATIVE AGENDA -

0900 -- WELCOMING REMARKS BY AMBASSADOR RUSH

0905 -- OPENING REMARKS BY UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON

0915 -- DISCUSSION OF NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES

WASHINGTON PERSPECTIVE:

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- RESULTS OF UNGA SPECIAL SESSION

- SPECIAL SESSION FOLLOW-UP STRATEGY

- PRODUCER-CONSUMER DIALOGUE ON ENERGY

EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE:

- CONSUMER COUNTRY COOPERATION (E.G., OECD)

- EUROPEAN ATTITUDES TOWARD NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES

1030 -- BREAK

1045 -- DISCUSSION CONTINUES

1230 -- LUNCH

1400 -- DISCUSSION OF GENERAL ECONOMIC SITUATION AND
ECONOMIC POLICY COORDINATION AMONG INDUSTRIAL-
IZED COUNTRIES

WASHINGTON PERSPECTIVE:

- OUTLOOK FOR US RECOVERY; ADMINISTRATION

- FORECASTS; ADMINISTRATION AND CONGRESSIONAL
- VIEWS OF EUROPE

- VIEWS ON POSSIBILITIES FOR INCREASED ECONOMIC
- POLICY COORDINATION; OUTLOOK FOR AN ECONOMIC
- SUMMIT

-- EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE:

- EUROPEAN VIEWS OF US RECOVERY

- IMPACT OF RECENT EUROPEAN EXPANSION MEASURES;
- PROBLEMS OF UNEMPLOYMENT (E.G., FRG, FRANCE,
- ITALY)

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- PROBLEMS OF HIGH INFLATION COUNTRIES (E.G.,
- UK, ITALY)

- VIEW OF CURRENT MONETARY ISSUES (E.G., FRANCE)

- EC ECONOMIC POLICY COORDINATION; PROBLEMS AND
- PROGRESS OF MONETARY UNION

1600 -- BREAK

1615 -- DISCUSSION OF MTN AND TRADE ISSUES

- WASHINGTON PERSPECTIVE:

- US MTN GOALS AND STRATEGY

- - CHANGES IN US LEGISLATION AND REDUCED USG
- FLEXIBILITY
- EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE:
- - EUROPEAN CONCERN THAT CURRENT TRADE INVESTIGA-
- TIONS SIGNAL US PROTECTIONISM

1715 -- DISCUSSION OF OTHER ISSUES:

- MEETING WILL BE OPENED FOR INTRODUCTION OF OTHER
- ISSUES BY POST PARTICIPANTS, E.G., ASSISTING
- U.S. BUSINESS, PORTUGUESE ECONOMIC CRISIS, CSCE
- ECONOMIC IMPLEMENTATION

1800 -- MEETING CONCLUDES

1830 -- RECEPTION. INGERSOLL

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